**FAASTeam presents:** 

**CFI Round Table: Challenging Students; Mountain Checkouts** 

The CFI Round Table series of events are open to any Bay Area flight instructor. These events provide a behind-closed-doors forum for CFIs to share success stories and challenges. This month's discussion topics are challenging students and mountain checkouts. Challenging StudentsDid my student just do that? What is my role in determining this student's potential as a safe pilot? What do I do when all the standard stuff doesn't work? These questions and many others face flight instructors when dealing with challenging student training situations. As CFIs, we are responsible for ensuring the safety of our students and the general public. We have been authorized to make judgment calls regarding pilot safety and certification in ways above that of other pilots. This is a serious responsibility. And sometimes, when students are at the margins, it can be extremely difficult to decide how to proceed.Mountain CheckoutsWhile the FAA has not defined Mountain Checkout, it's a common practice found at many flight schools and flying clubs within a day's flight of high terrain. In the SF Bay Area, mountain checkouts are commonly required for flights to airports above 3,000' in elevation or for flights that cross mountainous terrain for extended periods of times. As Flight Instructors, it is often our job to train club

## **Event Details**

Mon, May 11, 2015 - 15:00 PDT San Carlos Flight Center

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members how to fly safely in these environments and to endorse them within the club for Mountain. Checkout privileges. How do we do that? How do we ensure that we've adequately helped our members and fellow pilots to identify the increased risks of mountain flying. How can we make them safe and confident, while not giving them overconfidence that gets them into trouble.San Carlos Flight Center was voted Best Flight School in the US in the 2013 AOPA Flight Training Excellence Awards. We are committed topromoting safety in general aviation through our evening safety seminarprograms. For more information about this and any of our weekly seminars, please visit

http://sancarlosflight.com/activities-and-events.

**Directions:** Located in the Skyway Building, next to the Hiller AviationMuseum. Parking and entrance behind building. Suite 215 is upstairs in the northwest corner. Pilots who fly in should park in transient parking and callthe Flight Center for a ride (650) 946-1700.

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